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... operations they will be able to
extend their operations for several years to come.

no further transfer of land ... should be approved.

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It looks as if the transfer of the ...
was effected to avoid the development ...
delusion. The Gov does not say whether he has
approved the transfer, the reaction of a shocking
boy is not development. I would ask whether
he has approved seeing that the conditions ...
for the 1907 do not appear to have been
complied with. 27-12-11

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

November 24th 1911.

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No. 657



Sir,

With reference to the last paragraph of your despatch no. 262 of the 19th of May, I have the honour to submit a report on the operations of Sisa Limited in this Protectorate.

1. The Company have acquired five farms extending over 25,000 acres and have also purchased a farm of 5,000 acres which was formerly the property of Mr. ... acquire. This latter farm is maintained exclusively as a shooting box which is let to sportsmen, when not occupied is in charge of a competent native headman. The development was valued in June last at £720.

2. Of the remaining 25,000 acres, two farms totalling 13,000 acres may be said to be practically unoccupied, as they are only utilized occasionally as grazing for the working bullocks and as an adjunct to the shooting box. On the other three farms, however, there is permanent development of the best kind, the value of which is estimated at nearly £7,500. The total value, therefore, of the development over the whole area in the possession of Sisa Limited is rather over £8,000. Moreover, on the estate and not included in the above valuation are live stock worth

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
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at least \$1,500, and agricultural implements of a present value of \$1,500. Three of the partners in the concern are in continuous operation, and in addition three white men are employed.

The estate is run on sound commercial lines, with a highly efficient Auditor as Secretary who executes the business as rapidly as the expenditure. As a result it is proved that with a capital expenditure estimated by valuation of \$11,000, the Company can only support three farms totalling 12,000 acres, and will be unable to extend their operations for any more to come.

I have the honor to be

GOVERNOR

Gov/40372/E.A.E.



Downing Street,

29 December, 1911.

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AFRICA PROTECTORATE

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Governor

COLONEL SIR PERCY GILQUARD, K.C.M.G.,
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MINUTE.

Mr. Butler. 27/12/11.

Mr.

Mr. Fiddes. 27

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

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Sir,

I have the honour to acknow-

ledge the receipt of your despatch

No. 657 of the 24th of November,

relating to the operations of *his Company*

Limited.

2. I have to enquire whether you

have approved of the transfer of Mr.

Dura's farm to *his Company* ~~Sisal, Limited~~ seeing

that the conditions specified in para-

graph of your despatch No. 122 of

the 21st of April do not appear to have

been

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been complied with. In any event, I
consider that, in ^{the} ~~the~~ light of the informa-
tion given in your despatch under reply,
no further grant should be made to the
Company at present and that no further
transfer of land to them should be
approved.

I have etc.